

AMERICAN BOARD OF INTERNAL MEDICINE

The American Board of Internal Medicine (ABIM) has announced the dates of the Board's 2003 examinations. The registration period for the 2003 Certification Examination in Nephrology is January 1, 2003 to April 1, 2003. The late registration period extends from April 2, 2003 to June 1, 2003. The date of the examination is November 5, 2003. It is important to note that the Board now offers all of its subspecialty certification examinations annually.

In addition, the ABIM Recertification Program, which has been renamed the Program for Continuous Professional Development (CPD), consists of an at-home, open-book self-evaluation process (SEP) and an examination that will be administered twice each year, May 6, 2003 and November 5, 2003. The registration period for the November examination is June 1, 2003 to September 1, 2003. To register for the examination, diplomates must be enrolled in the CPD program and be in at least year 6 of their certification cycle. For more information and application forms, contact: Registration Section, American Board of Internal Medicine, 510 Walnut Street, Suite 170, Philadelphia, PA 19106-3699. Telephone: 1-800-441-2246 or 1-215-466-3500; Fax: 1-215-446-3590; E-mail: request@abim.org. Physicians can also register for all ABIM certification and recertification examinations via the Board's Web site at www.abim.org (click on "online services").

AWARDS AND GRANTS

The AMGEN, Inc. International Prize for Therapeutic Advancement in Nephrology

The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) is pleased to announce the AMGEN, Inc. International Prize for Therapeutic Advancement of Nephrology, which inaugurates recognition for those who have increased the understanding and treatment of kidney disease through basic or clinical scientific research leading to therapeutic advances. This prize is made possible by the generosity and vision of AMGEN, Inc. in Thousand Oaks, California.

Each recipient will receive \$50,000 US and a framed certificate with an appropriate citation. Normally, the prize is to be awarded to a single individual. If two individuals are selected, they will share the prize equally. The prize will be awarded without restrictions to nationality, race, religion, or gender. An advisory committee representing members of the ISN and AMGEN, Inc. will recommend recipients of the prize. To be considered for the prize, nomination letters must be sent to the Advisory Committee Chair, John H. Dirks, M.D., Massey College, 4 Devonshire Place, Toronto, Ontario, Canada, M5S 2E1.

Nomination letters must describe the basic or clinical scientific role of the nominee and should be accompanied by a full curriculum vitae with a complete mailing address and at least two supporting letters that detail the full nature and scope of a major and sustained therapeutic

advance. The first prize will be presented at the ISN Congress in Berlin in June, 2003, and, every 2 years thereafter at the Congress of the ISN through 2009. For further details and the complete terms of reference, consult the ISN Website: www.isn-online.org

BOOKS RECEIVED

Acute Renal Failure in Practice, edited by Paul Glynne, Andrew Allen, and Charles Pusey. London: Imperial College Press, 2002. ISBN: 1-86094-216-4 (hard back); 1-86094-287-3 (paper back). According to the editors, "the aim of this volume is the review current practice in the treatment of acute renal failure, bearing in mind that this depends on a thorough understanding of disease mechanisms." To accomplish this goal, the editors of this 26-chapter book have divided the subject matter into four sections entitled Fundamentals of Renal Physiology; Acute Renal Failure—Common Principles; The Diseases; and Specialist Scenarios. Chapters within these sections range from renal hemodynamics and glomerular filtration to the renal transplant recipient. There are a total of 49 contributors and each chapter is written by one or more experts in the area under discussion. The design of the text makes it extremely user friendly with many lists and tables. Some chapters have Practice Points and at the end of each chapter is a section entitled Further Reading, which lists other sources related to the specific topic. Also included in this book is a listing of abbreviations used throughout the text, three appendixes, and a comprehensive index. The cost of this text is \$46 US.

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GHIGGERI GM, BRUSCHI M, CANDIANO G, RASTALDI MP, SCOLARI F, PASERINI P, MUSANTE L, PERTICA N, GARIDI G, FERRARIO F, PERFUMO F, PONTICELLI C: Depletion of clusterin in renal diseases causing nephrotic syndrome. *Kidney Int* 62:2184–2194, 2002.

In the above-cited article, on page 2193, the following sentence should be added to the Acknowledgments section:

The authors wish to acknowledge the contribution of Professor Saverio Bettuzzi, from the Department of Experimental Medicine, University of Parma, who designed the oligopeptides for antibodies against clusterin.

The authors apologize for the omission.

UTIMURA R, FUJIHARA K, MATTAR AL, AVANCINI DM, MALHEIROS C, NORONHA IL, ZATA R: Mycophenolate mofetil prevents the development of glomerular injury in experimental diabetes. *Kidney Int* 63:209–216, 2003

In the above-cited article, when referring to the article, please be sure to look under Noronha IL, rather than Lourdes for the citation.

The publisher apologizes for the error.